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During the 2003-2004 academic year, the Committee on Scholarships and Honors met and accomplished the following:

1.) The committee met on December 11, 2003, and unanimously voted to approve the Conflict of Interest Statement pertaining to the Committee on Scholarships and Honors. At the same time, the Committee re-approved the previous year’s format that is used to decide upon the Regents and Chancellors Scholarships. This format uses a combination of two ranking procedures. These two procedures, Rank 1 and Rank 2, are defined as:

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\begin{align*}
\text{Rank 1} &= (1,066 \times \text{Honors GPA--HON}) + \text{SAT 1} + \text{SAT II (TOP2)} \\
\text{Rank 2} &= (1,130 \times \text{Avg. GPA--AVG}) + \text{SAT 1} + \text{SAT II (TOP2)}
\end{align*}
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where:
- HON = UC High school GPA capped at 8 honors points
- HP = Honors Points per the Admissions Application (of any type, such as college grades, honors courses)
- GPA = UC High school GPA without honors points
- SAT = SAT I combined official score from ETS
- TOP2 = Top 2 SAT II official scores from ETS combined

Discussions pertained to using rank 1 to recognize students that took potentially more challenging honors courses in high school and using rank 2 so as to not penalize students attending high schools that did not offer honors courses.

2. The committee met again on January 8, 2004, to agree upon the list of candidates receiving the Regents and Chancellor's Scholarships. We also discussed the possibility of making exceptions to Regents and Chancellor’s Scholarship for a particularly exceptional transfer student. Committee discussed the current criteria for these two scholarships and identified two: (i) being an incoming freshman and (ii) having taken SAT I and three SAT II tests no later than the December 2003 test date. This student did not satisfy either of these criteria. The committee voted unanimously to follow the criteria laid out in various University publications/webpages and thus decided not to make an exception in this case since we felt it would be unfair to other (potential) transfer students who did not apply given these criteria or who did apply and were not given such consideration. The committee did decide that while this was the “fair” and “objective” decision given how the criteria are currently specified, such criteria can be amended in the future. The committee decided to revisit this issue in subsequent meetings such that these criteria may be amended so as to increase the University’s ability to attract these
exceptional transfer students and compete with other schools, many of which do offer Regents and Chancellor Scholarships to transfer students, for these students.

At this meeting, Sheryl Hayes presented the list of candidates meeting the criteria for the Regents and Chancellors Scholarships. The committee identified the top 683 candidates as ordered by the two previously agreed upon ranking criteria; these 683 candidates will be offered the Regents Scholarship while the remaining candidates will be offered the Chancellors Scholarship barring any discrepancies between self-report and reported scores (which will be addressed at a meeting in late January by a subcommittee). The committee also agreed that any students on the list that had a non-honors GPA less than 3.0 would not be considered for either scholarship and, furthermore, any student on the list that achieved a non-honors weighted GPA of 4.0 will be offered a Regents Scholarship. Two students were dropped from consideration given the former requirement while three students who were not among the 683 candidates initially considered for the Regents Scholarship met the latter requirement.

3. The Committee still needs to meet before the end of the quarter to decide upon the Chancellor’s Award for Undergraduate Excellence, the UC President’s Undergraduate Fellowship, and the Carl Fuglie Award as recommended by the Biomedical Sciences faculty. Since the deadlines for submission for these awards are subsequent to this Annual Report, no decisions have been made on any of these awards. The Committee intends to meet sometime during the latter half of April and the early half of May.

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